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THE THREE-FOLD ATTACK

Money given to the 1952 March of Dimes now underway supports the fight against polio in the hospital ward, in the professional training classroom and in the research laboratory.

In the diversity of this attack against the only epidemic disease still on the increase in America, the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis is unique in the voluntary health movement.

The National Foundation, supported by the annual March of Dimes, has mounted the most massive people's attack on a single disease ever launched by a voluntary health agency. It is the only voluntary agency in the country which helps pay patient care bills on a national basis.

But maintaining the three-fold job of patient care, professional education and research has become exceedingly difficult for the National Foundation in the last four years. Each of these years it has gone into debt trying to do the job.

This situation has been brought about by an upward surge of polio that has seen more cases reported and more March of Dimes spent in the last four years than in the entire previous decade combined.

The 1952 March of Dimes will determine whether the National Foundation is to maintain this total attack to the end that polio and its crippling after-effects may be obliterated once and for all from the environment of man.

No aspect of this attack may be neglected. Children and adults stricken with this crippling disease must be provided with the best available care—there is no question about that we must live with polio until it is conquered.

But we must get on with the business of conquering it too. For in the final analysis the most important single thing we can do is to make patient care unnecessary in other words, we must protect man from getting polio at all.

In the field of research, March of Dimes scientists have made giant leaps. In the field of education, they have found the answer yet, but they have improved treatment and they have placed together so many of the ingredients to the final solution that researchers are optimistic the answer will be found within the not-too-distant future.

There's no question about supporting research; it is obviously a must. So is the professional education, the part of the National Foundation's program that trains many of the people who staff the hospitals and run the research laboratories.

Money an equipment were not enough; skilled hands and trained minds are necessary. We cannot neglect professional education without neglecting patient care and research. Increased incidence and increased costs have made this three-fold fight difficult beyond comprehension. The National Foundation and its thousands of volunteers are not daunted by the challenge, however; they know that with the help of all Americans in the 1952 March of Dimes the fight against polio will be sustained and carried through to a successful conclusion.

VEHICLE INSPECTION
(Bristol Herald-Courier)

Virginia is among 11 states that require periodic state inspection of all motor vehicles in the safety categories of lights, brakes, and windshield wipers. National statistics indicate that accident rates in these states average 40 percent lower than the national figure.

Governor Dewey of New York is asking his legislature to adopt inspection legislation similar to Virginia's, and we make bold to suggest that it may be profitable to Tennessee to also enact such a law. Certainly the incentive is there if states that inspect are showing such a reduced number of accidents.

LOSS OF THE BOSS

(The Richmond Times-Dispatch)

Leo Durocher is honored as tops in his trade, and his temper has improved so of late that there ought to be a plaque for his wife, Laraine Day, as manager of the manager of the year.

REMARKABLE PATIENCE

There is a large group in our nation now displaying remarkable patience. We would like to give them a hand.

They are the families of the members of the armed forces held prisoner in Korea. When announcement was made that the Reds were releasing the names of the prisoners of this new birth comes very early in life. Dr. Foreman

A "Get the surviving prisoners" cry could have swept the nation. The families could have demanded immediate release for any cost so their soldiers could be released.

The task of our true negotiators could have been made even harder than it has been and is. But remarkable forbearance has been displayed, and as anxious hours drift into days and weeks, there is no group in the nation more deserving of commendation than these patriotic families.

All this just another reason why so many of us are keeping our fingers crossed and praying that the way will be opened for peace in Korea.

IN SUPPORT OF OMAR

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Ah, my beloved, fill the cup that clings
Today of past regrets and future fears;
Tomorrow—Why tomorrow I may be dead.

Myself with Yesterday's seven thousand years.
If they haven't, we ask, then why has their parliament decided to shut down Iran's gin mills.

SPLIT ON THE INFINITIVE

(New York Times)

As if the English-speaking people of the earth did not have troubles enough to vex them, the thorny matter of the split infinitive has to again turn up. Out in Los Angeles a learned jurist has just written a book on way to properly instruct a jury. A judge writes the book. Whether he agreed with his content is not reported; what he did criticize, and publicly, were not errors in law but the author's use of phrases such as "to completely disregard," and "to so treat a situation."

WHO GAINS?

The armed forces are preparing to recall their small reserve officer Ted Williams, the high-salaried baseball player.

Ted has been drawing such a big salary as a player that his income tax has been nearly \$50,000 a year. Uncle Sam will lose that if Ted returns the service. But instead of Ted resigning Uncle Sam will be paying Ted an officer's salary of \$7,000 a year.

Ted has been working for us. Now we will be working for Ted! What sort of deal is that?

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

BY DR. KENNETH J. FOREMAN
Scripture: John 3:1-21, 7:45-52
Bible Reading: Matthew 10:1-23

Born Again

Lesson for January 27, 1952

In many places one often hears the expression, "born-again Christians." As a matter of fact, there are no other kinds. If a person is not born again he is not a Christian.

The first birth is of the natural self, the awakening, so to speak, to this natural world.

The second birth is of the supernatural self, the awakening to the spiritual world, the beginning of "living unto God."

The third birth is of the new birth comes very early in life. Dr. Foreman

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P.T.A. Says Teach Child Good Nutrition Habits

A statement on the school lunch programs was released recently through the local Parent-Teacher Association. It included the following: "The National Congress of Parents and Teachers, aware at all times of the needs of children, has recognized the need for a sound program of nutrition education in the schools by creating the parent-teacher School Lunch Committee. The purpose of the committee is to assist schools in developing a program that will give growing children experiences in building sound food habits so necessary for their health and well-being.

"The sale of carbonated beverages, candy, and other confections in schools may interfere with effective nutrition education. Many children spend money for less nutritious foods and are deprived of a valuable learning experience. In this connection we call attention to a similar statement made by the Council on Foods and Nutrition of the American Medical Association.

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